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1. FOLLOWING ARE SPONSORS AND TEXT OF RESOLUTION ON
CHILE:
"(CONSOLIDATED TEXT OF THE RESOLUTION CONCERNING
THE SYSTEMATIC VIOLATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND TRADE
UNION FREEDOMS IN CHILE, SUBMITTED BY MR. BEREZECKI,
WORKERS' DELEGATE, POLAND; MR. BORGOV, WORKERS' DELEGATE
BULGARIA; MR. HLAVICKA, WORKER'S DELEGATE,
CZECHOSLOVAKIA; MRS. MUNTEANU, WORKERS DELEGATE,
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DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC; MR. OBUKHOVICH, WORKERS DELEGATE,
BYELORUSSIAN SSR; MR. PIMENOV, WORKERS DELEGATE,
USSR; MR. POIDA, WORKERS DELEGATE, UKRAINIAN SSR;
AND MR. TIMMER, WORKERS DELEGATE HUNGARY; THE
RESOLUTION CONCERNING FREEDOM OF ASSOCIATION IN A
NUMBER OF COUNTRIES AND PARTICULARLY IN CHILE, SUBMITTED
BY MR. J. HOUTHUYS, WORKERS' DLEGATE, BELGIUM; AND THE
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RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE LABOUR AND TRADE UNION SITUATION

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IN CHILE, SUBMITTED BY MR. BENYA, WORKERS' DELEGATE, AUSTRIA; MR. CARLSSON, WORKERS' DELEGATE SWEDEN; MR. NOBEL, WORKERS' DELEGATE SWITZERLAND; MR. PLANT, WORKERS' DELEGATE, UNITED KINGDOM; MR. SANCHEZ MADARIAGE, WORKERS' DELEGATE, MEXICO, MR. SUNDE, WORKERS' DELEGATE, NORWAY; AND MR. VOGNBJERG, WORKERS' DELEGATE, DENMARK.)
RESOLUTION CONCERNING HUMAN AND TRADE UNION RIGHTS IN CHILE, SUBMITTED BY THE WORKERS' GROUP
PREAMBLE
THE GENERAL CONFERENCE OF THE INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANISATION,
1. EXPRESSING ITS DEEP CONCERN AT THE GRAVITY OF THE SITUATION IN CHILE AS REGARDS THE ARREST, EXECUTION, DEPORTATION OF TRADE UNIONISTS, VIOLATION OF HUMAN AND DEMOCRATIC RIGHTS, DISSOLUTIONS OF TRADE UNION ORGANISATIONS AND RESTRICTIONS OF THE RIGHT TO ORGANISE AND COLLECTIVE BARGAINING.

2. REFERRING TO THE REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMITTEE ON FREEDOM OF ASSOCIATION, SUBMITTED TO AND ADOPTED BY THE GOVERNING BODY AT ITS 191ST (NOVEMBER 1973) AND 192ND (FEBRUARY-MARCH 1974) SESSIONS,

3. NOTING THAT THE MILITARY JUNTA HAS INCREASED THE WORKING WEEK BY FOUR HOURS (DECREE NO. 35) AND HAS AT THE SAME TIME FROZEN WAGES, WHICH IS CONTRARY TO ALL NATIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL AGREEMENTS IN CHILE AND A FLAGRANT VIOLATION OF THE PRINCILES AND STANDARDS LAID DOWN IN THE CONSTITUTION OF THE ILO AND IN THE HOURS OF WORK (INDUSTRY) CONVENTION, 1919 (NO. 1), WHICH HAS BEEN RATIFIED BY CHILE,

4. NOTING THAT THE CHILEAN AUTHORITIES HAVE SECURED THE DISMISSAL (BY LEGISLATIVE DECREE NO. 32) OF TENS OF THOUSANDS OF WORKERS IN INDUSTRY, AGRICULTURE, SERVICES, THE PUBLIC SERVICE AND THE UNIVERSITIES, AND HAS PROHIBITED ANY EMPLOYMENT OF THOSE PERSONS IN VIOLATION OF THE MOST ELEMENTARY PRINCIPLES OF NON-DISCRIMINATION BASED ON POLITICAL OR TRADE UNION VIEWS, AND, MORE PARTICULARLY, OF THE PROVISIONS OF THE
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DISCRIMINATION (EMPLOYMENT AND OCCUPATION), CONVENTION, 1958 (NO. 111), WHICH AS BEEN RATIFIED BY CHILE,

5. STRESSING THE FACT THAT THE MILITARY JUNTA HAS SUSPENDED THE OPERATION OF THE CONCILIATION COMMITTEES AND THE LABOUR ARBITRATION COURTS (ORDER NO. 36), THUS ESTABLISHING STRICT CONTROL BY THE MILITARY AUTHORITIES OVER THE LABOUR COUNRTS,

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6. NOTING THAT THE GOVERNING BODY DECIDED TO REQUEST THE CHILEAN AUTHORITIES TO GIVE THEIR CONSENT TO THE VISIT OF THE FACT-FINDING AND CONCILIATION COMMISSION ON FREEDOM OF ASSOCIATION,

7. NOTING THAT THE CHILEAN AUTHORITIES HAVE NOW RESPONDED FAVOURABLY TO THE REQUEST OF THE GOVERNING BODY;
OPERATIVE
1. URGES THE CHILEAN AUTHORITIES-
A) TO CEASE VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN AND TRADE UNION RIGHTS AND TO LIFT ALL RESTRICTIONS ON THE EXERCISE OF TRADE UNION ACITIVITIES;
B) TO CLOSE DOWN THE CONCENTRATION CAMPS IN WHICH WORKERS, MILITANT WORKERS AND TRADE UNION LEADERS ARE INTERNED FOR POLITICAL REASONS;
C) TO GUARANTEE, WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF A GENERAL AMNESTY, THE LIFE AND FREEDOM OF THE WORKERS, MILITANT WORKERS AND TRADE UNION LEADERS AND MEMBERS OF ANY POLITICAL PARTIES WHO HAVE BEEN ARRESTED, DEPORTED OR IMPRISONED;
D) TO REPEAT THE RESPRESSIVE ACTS, LEGISLATIVE DECREES AND ORDERS ISSUED SINCE 11 SEPTEMBER 1973, SO THAT THE CHILEAN WORKERS CAN FULLY ENJOY DEMOCRATIC LIBERTIES AND TRADE UNION RIGHTS;
E) TO REPEAT THE DISSOLUTION OF THE CENTRAL ORGANISATION OF WORKERS (CUT) AND GUARANTEE ITS FREEDOM OF ACTION;
F) TO ABOLISH THE SPECIAL TRIBUNALS AND WITHDRAW TRADE UNION ACTIVITIES FROM THE JURISDICTION OF THE MILITARY AUTHORITIES;
G) TO PUT AN END TO THE TORTURING OF TRADE UNION MILITANTS AND LEADERS AND PUNICH THOSE WHO WERE
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RESPONSIBLE FOR SUCH INHUMAN ACTIVITIES;
H) TO GRANT SAFE CONDUCTS TO ALL TRADE UNION LEADERS AND MEMBERS OF ALL PARTIES AND ORGANIZATIONS WHO HAVE TAKEN REFUGE IN EMBASSIES;
2. INVITES THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE INTERNATIONAL LABOUR OFFICE TO INSTRUCT THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL-
A) TO TAKE WITH TH UTMOST URGENCY THE STEPS NECESSARY TO SEND THE FACT-FINDING AND CONCILIATION COMMISSION TO CHILE;
B) TO SET UP, IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 26, PARAGRAPHS 3 AND 4, OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANIZATION, A COMMITTEE OF INQUIRY TO STUDY THE FAILURE OF CHILE TO APPLY THE HOURS OF WORK (INDUSTRY) CONVENTION, 1919 (NO. 1), AND THE DISCRIMINATION (EMPLOYMENT

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AND OCCUPATION) CONVENTION,1958 (NO. 111), BOTH
OF WHICH CHILE HAS RATIFIED, AND TO SUBMIT A
REPORT ON THE SUBJECT TO THE 195TH SESSION OF THE
GOVERNING BODY;
C) TO FOLLOW CONTINUOUSLY THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE
TRADE UNION SITUATION IN CHILE."
2. RESOLUTION ENJOYED SUFFICIENT SUPPORT IN ALL GROUPS
TO BE ELECTED AS NUMBER TWO AMONG FIRST FIVE RESOLUTIONS
SELECTED FOR PRIORITY CONSIDERATION. SUPPORT FOR RESOL-
UTION PARTICULARY STRONG IN WORKER AND GOVERNMENT
GROUPS. LATIN AMERICAN WORKERS SEEM TO HAVE ADOPTED A
"HANDS OFF" ATTIDUDE TOWARD ISSUE. MOST WEO'S PLACED
CHILE AS NUMBER TWO ON THEIR LIST OF FIVE PRIORITY
RESOLUTIONS.

3. CHILEANS ARE NATURALLY OPPOSED TO RESOLUTION, BUT
ACCEPT INEVITABLY THAT CHILE IS HOT ISSUE IN ILO THIS
YEAR. CHILEANS ARE PREPARED TO RESPOND TO CHARGES AND
ALLEGATIONS AGAINST THEM WITH RECITATION OF HISTORY OF
INACTION BY ILO RE QUESTION OF TRADE UNION FREEDOMS
IN COMMUNIST COUNTRIES.

4. GENERAL DISCUSSION OF RESOLUTION WILL BEGIN TODAY
AND SHOULD REVEAL MORE CLEARLY ATTITUDES AMONG VARIOUS
GROUPS TOWARD RESOLUTION AS IT NOW STANDS AND ANY
POSSIBILITIES THAT MAY EXIST FOR MODIFYING AMENDMENTS.
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RESOLUTION NOT LIKELY TO COME TO VOTE BEFORE END THIS
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